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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### UM TAKING APPLICATIONS FOR HIGH SCHOOL "STEP AHEAD" PROGRAM THIS SUMMER

MISSOULA --

The University of Montana's Center for Continuing Education is taking applications for this summer's "Step Ahead" program for high school students. Step Ahead is a series of one-week programs conducted by UM faculty and staff to encourage high school students to explore various majors and professions. The programs provide students with exposure to a field of study, with active, "hands-on" learning experiences, and with opportunities to examine the various career options within a profession.

The program has been expanded this year, to include Step Ahead programs in business, writing, radio/TV and psychology, as well as credit-option courses in study skills, communication, photography and golf. The full schedule of programs follows.

All Step Ahead programs are open to high school students in grades nine through 12. The credit-option courses are open to eligible high school juniors and seniors who may earn one college credit through UM's Pilot High School Program.

Evening recreational activities and on-campus living are available for the programs. Pre-registration is required by June 5. Students will be accepted on a space-available basis. The

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fee is \$60 for each Step Ahead program and \$40 per credit-option course.

To obtain a registration form and additional information call or write UM's Center for Continuing Education & Summer Programs, 125 Main Hall, University of Montana, Missoula, Mont. 59812, (406) 243-6484 or 243-2900.

### **Step Ahead Program Schedule - Summer, 1987**

**June 22-26**

**Mornings: Beginning Golf;** 10 a.m.-Noon. Fee: \$40 Instruction on basic golf principles; full swing, short swing, putting basics, rules and golf etiquette. All equipment, plus one nine-hole round of golf, is provided.

**Study Skills;** 9-11 a.m. Fee: \$40 Students learn how to read and study textbooks, motivate themselves, manage their time, take lecture notes, improve their memory and prepare for exams. Especially valuable for college-bound students.

**How We Communicate;** 9-11 a.m. Fee: \$40 Topics include probing the effect cultural differences have on communication practices, non-verbal communication, conflict styles, self-concepts, and communication in families.

**Afternoons: Step Ahead in Business;** 1-4 p.m. Fee: \$60. Topics include microcomputer applications; decisions that company presidents make; how to feed decisions into a computer and

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receive results on how different companies fared against competitors; and playing management games.

**Step Ahead in Writing; 1-4 p.m. Fee: \$60.**

Students will gain experience in creative writing, freelance writing, editing, technical writing and advertising copy.

**June 29-July 2**

**Mornings: Step Ahead in Radio/TV; 8:30-Noon. Fee: \$60.**

Activities include videotape shooting and editing; television studio operation; recording audio for radio; broadcast news; and radio station operation.

**Step Ahead in Psychology; 8:30-Noon. Fee: \$60.**

General methods psychologists use to study behavior, including adolescent behavior, psychological issues associated with adolescence, emotional attachments and peer relations, and depression, suicide and drug use.

**Afternoons: How We Communicate; 1-3:30 p.m. Fee: \$40** Topics include probing the effect cultural differences have on communication practices, non-verbal communication, conflict styles, self-concepts, and communication in families.

**Beginning Photography; 1-3:30 p.m. Fee: \$40**

Students will learn how to use 35mm cameras; how to photograph people, take candid shots, and frame and crop photographs. Two laboratory sessions on basic film developing and printing



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techniques will be included. Students should bring their 35mm  
cameras to class sessions.

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